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Mr Willie Wells
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Dear Willie:

Are you surprised to get a letter from me? Pandridge gave me your address, so I am hastening to write you.

I was surprised you did not answer my wire to Mexico. I did expect an answer one way or the other. We could have used you in that playoff game. We had lots of errors, but the game was lost mainly at shortstop.

Well last season is so much water under the bridge now. We have to try and plan for a winning team this coming season. Of course good ball players are scarce. We have eleven men in the army and Navy, and most of them are really good ones, Day, Manning, Doby, Parks, Ruffin, Irving, Isreal etc. We were lucky to have as good a team as we did under these circumstances. One thing the fans were loyal last year. They supported the Negro baseball very well, and the teams played pretty good ball.

Is it oo early to ask you what your plans are for the coming season? We have to start now to lay plans for the team as you know. The two Negro Leagues are having a joint meeting in New York on December 15th. I would like to have some idea by then who we can half way plan on being with us. I may try to make a trade or so. I would appreciate hearing from you right away, and let me have some idea what your plans are for the coming season if you have made any. I hope you are well, and things are going alright for you.

Very Truly Yours